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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JULY 1, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Communication is submitted in order to address the rejections made in a July 1, 2003 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 1, 2003 Final Office Action is due October 1, 2003. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

REMARKS

Claims 74-92 are pending and under examination. No claim has been added, canceled or amended herein. Accordingly, claims 74-92 are still pending and under examination.

In view of the remarks below, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner's objections and rejections be withdrawn.